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Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

Response to Restriction Requirement (1 page);

Petition for Extension of Time (1 page)

Check No. 16233 in the amount of \$465.00 for the extension fee;

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If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at 617/542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any payment that may be due to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference 23239-301A). A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This is a response to the January 14, 2003 Restriction Requirement in the aboveidentified application. A Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time and required fee are filed herewith. With this extension, a response is due on May 14, 2003. This application is entitled to small-entity status. Applicants believe no additional fees are due in connection with this filing. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 23239-301A.

The Examiner has required restriction of the pending claims to one (1) sequence from SEQ ID NOs: 1-6 of claims 6-11 and 20-25. Applicants elect SEQ ID NO: 2, as recited by claims 7 and 21, without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: May 6, 2003

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